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TALMAGE SERMON

By Roy. FRANK DE WITT TALMAGE, D.D., Pastor of Jefferson Park Presby-terian Gaurch, Chicago

Chicago, Feb. 1. - In this sermon Pastor Talmage, while not excusing the prodigal, throws a new and searching light upon the character and conduct of the elder brother of the famous parable. The text is Luke xv. 28, "And

my life. He is the honest, upright son dealings with your debtors and your who stays at home and gets no credit for being good; he is the respectable plodder of the family who does most of the hard work in the office, in the store and on the farm and then has the extreme pleasure of seeing all the young girls run after his dissolute younger brother merely because that rother is driving fast horses and sowng his 'wild oats.' The elder brother is the son who is always sober and yet receives he not one extra dollar from his parents as a reward, while the drunken son of the family is continually receiving extra money to get his clothes out of pawn, so that he may have another start in life. The elder is the 'good boy' upon whom the mother depends to help give his sisters new dresses for the winter parties, yet he never has a party given for him. He gentleman for dressing himself in never had a fatted colf killed that he might entertain his friends, though for less fatal for being deftly placed about years he has cared for the cattle by the doomed throat by white fingers day and has seen that they were properly milked at night. He is the 'good' you, oh, elder brother, stay at home boy' who never had a fine ring put on and live under your father's roof, that his finger. The folks laughed at his is no reason why you may not be living horny fingers, which were knotted from 10,000 miles away from your father's handling the plow and wielding the love. I do not believe there is a more hoe and the ax. His feet were never contemptible character painted in all measured for dancing slippers because | the word pictures of the Bible than this his sandals were always soiled and cold blooded, unforgiving, sneering, dirt begrimed. He was always work- carping elder brother, who was ready ing in the fields. The drunkards, the to take every advantage he could over companions are the ones who, when law, Instead of being drunk with they reform, have the smiles and the wine he was intoxicated with self condaucing parties given to them, not the celt and selfishness. Instead of being elder brothers who have never done a beggar or earning his bread by tend-

classmate said to me: "It never pays would tear a repentant brother limb to be good. When I am good and stay from limb. at home, then father and mother merely take my goodness as a matter of of my text and not with the repentant | characters. If he has spent un

Two Kinds of Faults. But neither of the brothers is por-

duct are not so easily recognized. In basement. estimating character on God's lines we have to ask not only what a man has done, but what he is. Meanness and nicrotherilaes and cruelty in the heart | modern Sunday school classes? "Oh," deface a man's character as indelibly say the well dressed young girls of that as open iniquity. They make men, as class, "you are not going to put that thrist said. like "whited sepulchers, poor girl in our class. Why, it will which ind ed appear beautiful outward, but are within full of dead men's bones | the daughters of millionaires to assoand of all uncleamness." Therefore I clate with sewing girls even in a Sunplace my chief emphasis upon the sin- day school." Where can you find a ful life of the elder brother, to show more despicable, pharisaical spirit than that the so called respectable sins of in the missionary life of some of our self righteousness are of all sins the large city churches? There are many most to be dreaded and that it is the large and wealthy churches that are

ers against them. isee, who thanks God that he is not as sit in their own pews or kneel at their other men. He complacently looks upon the drunkard and the social out- this pharisaical spirit of old is not only friends: "Just look at me. I never had the poor. Some years ago the Avonple have had. I was of a high strung, Rev. Charles F. Goss is pastor, tried let my evil desires get the better of Goss declared that that mission had me. I have never been drunk. I have to be abandoned because of the pharnever run up a bill I was unable to issical spirit which was to be found pay. I never was a frequenter of the there among the poor. There, even night carousers. Indeed, to be frank to found there were classes. Sinful with you, I have just about as good men and women would not associate Prince Bismarck had of his skill in thought their own rags were a little statesmanship. When some one asked was the brainiest statesman in all and the world you find this contempti Europe, Bismarck replied: 'Modesty ble spirit of the elder brother. raell is without doubt the second ablest statesman in all Europe.' Other itual standing. saints," remarks the pharisalcal elder brother, "may be my equal in moral

A Defect In Character. you from prodigality is itself a defect that younger son was a selfish, despi- well as outside. And yet the good faof character. It is true that you have not gone off as a prodigal into a far despicable. When the elder brother was ready to speak just as forzivingly the pulpit.

| Good stead in many ways while still in the parable of the prodigal son the pulpit. | Good stead in many ways while still in the pulpit. | Good stead in many ways while still in the pulpit. | Good stead in many ways while still in the pulpit. | Good stead in many ways while still in the pulpit. | Good stead in many ways while still in the pulpit. | Good stead in many ways while still in the pulpit. | Good stead in many ways while still in the pulpit. | Good stead in many ways while still in the pulpit. | Good stead in many ways while still in the pulpit. | Good stead in many ways while still in the pulpit. | Good stead in many ways while still in the pulpit. | Good stead in many ways while still in the pulpit. | Good stead in many ways while still in the pulpit. | Good stead in many ways while still in the pulpit. | Good stead in many ways while still in the pulpit. | Good stead in many ways while still in the pulpit. | Good stead in many ways while still in the pulpit. | Good stead in many ways while still in the pulpit. | Good stead in many ways while still in the pulpit. | Good stead in many ways while still in the pulpit. | Good stead in many ways while still in the pulpit. | Good stead in many ways while still in the pulpit. | Good stead in many ways while still in the pulpit. | Good stead in many ways while still in the pulpit. | Good stead in many ways while still in the pulpit. | Good stead in many ways while still in the pulpit. | Good stead in many ways while still in the pulpit. | Good stead in many ways while still in the pulpit. | Good stead in many ways while still in the pulpit. | Good stead in many ways while still in the pulpit. | Good stead in many ways while still in the pulpit. | Good stead in many ways while still in the pulpit. | Good stead in many ways while still in the pulpit. | Good stead in many ways while still in the pul

country of sin. You have not given a heard the music which signaled the to his elder son as to the younger. midnight banquet and started your young friends on the path to a drunk- igai's return; when he saw the eyes of ard's grave by teaching them how to bury their lips in the red poison of the wine cup. You may have been too ness, he would have rejoiced for his stingy for that; you may have been so father's sake if he had not been selfish mean and stingy that there is no fear that you would drink a glass of wine old man to the heart. Did he not say ke a cigar unless some one cise in effect; "Yes, we shall drive that distinct that his elder boy was acting unpaid for it. It is not principle that solute debauchee back to his swine filially and unbrotherly, the father did saves some men from going to destructiongh. Then we can have the pleastion by the broad highway of dissoluteness, but penuriousness. They hold on to every dollar they have and are too stingy to spend a cent. They keep their money as long as they can and never give a cent to a friend unless they make that friend give them a first | dead son Absalom? class security and pay full interest. But, my so called respectable and upright pharisalcal friend, though you are not a prodigal, you may be a usur-Who was the prodigal's elder brotle, er, an extortioner and a slanderer. You er? "I know who he is," answers some may le a robber of the poor widow's one. "I see him almost every day or inite and a contemptible tyrant in your employees. You may be a peddler of evil reports and a murderer of your neighbor's reputation. You may be one of those keen, cold automatons without one drop of human kindness in your heart. You may be so merciless in your dealings with mankind that you will not stop for one moment to consider the sad causes which led your friends into sin or into financial

just as much as he despises the sins of the prodigal in the far country. Satan is no nearer being a Christian broadcloth. 'The hangman's noose is no ing swine he was ready to unkennel the Some years ago a young college bloodhounds of vindictive rancor, which

difficulty. And, elder brother, if your

faults are meanness and avarice, though

you may have never violated the crim-

inal code of your state, you are at heart

a sinful monster, a financial tyrout;

you are at heart a merciless calumnia-

tor. God despises your unrepented sins

The elder brother thinks that his Dicourse, but if I only go off on a long vine Father's house is not big enough carousal then nothing is too good for to hold two sons. He feels that if his me-when I come back home. There's brother is allowed to come back the rethe faults of the elder brother, being poor and outcast means their own so-

Where can the despicable, pharisaicmore conspicuous than in some of your ruin the whole class! You can't expect duty of the preacher to warn his hear- supporting missions in the foul slums of the city, yet whose members would The elder brother is the modern Phar- not for one instant allow the poor to communion tables. And, mark you, cast and the pauper and says to his found among the rich, but also among impetuous nature, yet I never would to run a mission in the slums. Dr. clubs, nor a convivial associate of mid- .mong the rags and sins of poverty, opinion of my moral attainments as with each other because some of them cleaner and better than their neigh-

forbids my stating who is the brainlest, find so called Christian men and wombecause then I might have to mention en who protest against the prodigal's my own name. But I am perfectly return because they fear the younger that for the baby's welfare she must willing to state that Benjamin Dis- brother's reformation might in some way injure their own social and spir-The elder brother never longs to sat- I feel almost as sorry for a wife who attainments, but I am sure there is no isfy the divine cravings of his father's has to live with one of those cross superior in all the world to my humble love. I have no sympathy with some grained, sneering, irritating, fault findof the excuses that are made for that ing, jealous husbands who are wearing But, my pharisaical friend, though in one sense you may never have broken the criminal code of your state yet. The product of ken the criminal code of your state, yet led astray into the far country of sin who has to live with one of these heartthere are more ways than one of break-because they have generous impulses less, brutal men who go around with ing the moral and the spiritual laws.
Shylock, the outraged Jew, may have been legally an honorable man, but in been legally an honorable man, but in the sight of God and of the community prodigal was an ingrate, every way you a sting; I mean a wife who has to live take him. He was a selfish, contempti- with a man who considers every day in which he lived Shylock was a fiend ble, dissolute rake. No man is large and a murderer at heart. Like a pan- hearted who will take a friend to a somebody and yet will do the overther crouching among the long grasses saloon or open a bottle of wine at a reaching in such a polite and deferen of the African prairie, waiting for the club when in order to do it he makes tial way that his victim can say nothtime he could spring upon a helpless his own children go hungry and dress antelope, Shylock was longing for the in rags. No generous hearted young time when he could lay Antonio a man will go into the far country of sin and further describing this hypocritical and recklessly squander his money when at this same time he knows that that class in the character of the elder

parental joy over the repentant prodhis father glistening with love and his cheeks flushing with a holy thankfuland would not have tried to stab the ure of seeing father again restlessly a peremptory command to his elder pacing the floor through the long, son to come to him at once, as he had weary hours of the night." Did he not a right to do, but, as a servant, he left want to hear that dear, old, gentle, for- the banquet hall. He went out into giving father again mean over his way- the darkness of the night and placed

ward boy as David mourned over his his arm gently about his sinful elder right kind of a som he would have seen with me, and all that I have is thine. That is as much as to say: 'My boy, at the return of his repentant son. He would have immediately said: "What any injustice. I shall not take away difference does monty make if I can only make father happy? Away with is yours. What I long for is for the the question of dollars and cents if my love and the purity of my children. I' want my two boys to be always by my So every Christian today, if he is the side. Come, my child; come back to right kind of a Christian, does not your father's love. Come back into the think about the social condition of his old homestead which I have prepared repentant fellow man. He immediately for you." Oh, that answer to me is says, when the publican bows at the beautiful! That answer is the sweetmercy seac: "Oh, the joy and the rap- est, gentlest, most loving and yet most ture of heaven. Oh, the look of tri- pleading rebuke ever spoken by the umphant love which is upon my Divine lips of any of the characters of the Father's face. Oh, the celestial music Bible. That is a Christ love pleading which in great tidal waves of sound is for you and for me to come into the rolling through the golden boulevards Father's house and nestle as a lamb of the New Jerusalem. Oh, the an-gelic voices in heaven which are every-But, after were shouting the glad tidings: 'The part of the elder brother's history is prodigal has returned! The prodigal the abrupt way in which the parable has returned to his Father's house!" ends. There is no doubt the younger

The Lack of Faith. son was forgiven. No doubt the repentelder brother's conduct also ant prodigal was able to enjoy the rest shows a lack of faith in his father. He and the home pleasures of the father's refuses to believe that his Divine Fa- house. But how about that cynical, ther's love is powerful enough to self satisfied and complaining elder change a sinner into a saint. Infidelity brother? Did he ask forgiveness of often intrenches itself in the pew and his father? Did he go into the banbehind the church pulpit. Some church quet where the feast was being celemembers, and some ministers of the brated? I do not know. I cannot tell. gospel, are only theorizing when they The parable ends with the earnest plea profess to believe that Jesus Christ can of the father. We must take the rest pardon sin. They profess to believe as we will. Personally I have my that Christ can transform the seven doubts about the salvation of that elddeviled Marys into the Marys who are er brother. It is sometimes far easier willing to sit at his feet and worship, for the sinner down in the slums to but these skeptical elder brothers go come to Christ than for the rich son forth into the great, wide, sinful world living in a luxurious palace. A Lonand by their practical behavior scatter don missionary was one night called up profligates, the midnight carousers, the his fellow men if he could only do so their ideal spiritual theories to the four to go to a dying girl. This wayward

ards. He is only repenting for a little "Jennie, it is all right. Put your love while so that he may get some money and trust in Jesus. He died for just out of us and go forth on another such sinful girls as we are. Jennie, put spree. Drive him out at once. Let him go to the poorhouse, where he belongs." When the young girl who has prodigal son, but it is awfully hard led a dissolute life wants to lead a for some of the sinful elder brothers pure life, instead of finding the willing and sisters to fee! that it was necesarms of forgiveness held out to her by sary for Jesus Christ to die for them tots of fun in being a repentant prod- turning prodigal will crowd him out of her elder sisters she finds only the shut and their sins. My elder brother in Igal. There is no fun in always being some room which rightfully belongs to doors of a contemptuous rebuke. Why? sin, are you going to stay out of your a goody, goody boy, who never gets the him. He says to himself: "There is a goody, goody boy, who never gets the him. He says to himself: "There is not believe that a prodigal woman with fuse to put your faith in Christ and that open the pattern of a boy. He has sympathies have always been with the taken his one-half of the property; now a black past can ever, even by divine elder brother in the parable," once he is coming back to cat up part of my wrote John R. Paxton, the great New half. I know that father is so kind a with a spotless future. The crimwrote John R. Paxton, the great New half. I know that father is so kind and with a special spe herder of the swine, who returned in then let him starve. That is just what, honorable employment if he repents? rags and as a beggar to his father's he deserves. He has no right coming Oh, no! The elder brothers and elder back, to be a vampire upon my prop- sisters are so bitter against the ex-conerty." So the selfish elder brothers in viets that many a repentant one has many of our large churches refuse to deliberately returned to his crimes betrayed as an example. Both were let the prodigals come among them and cause he could earn a living in no othbad, though in different ways. We case will not allow them to be received as er way. When a visiting minister, ily see the faults of the younger broth- equals in their Father's bouse. They some years ago, asked a convict if he er; they were open and scandalous; but seem to think that the advent of the would not like to be free, this answer was given: "Why should I want to be decoronaly covered up by dutiful con- cial extinction and their spiritual de free? Is the honest world ready to receive me with an outstretched hand of love? No. In the world's eyes the al spirit of the elder brother be found striped suit of the cenvict always covers a heart of total depravity. Because I have once done wrong the world is never willing to believe that I am willing to do right. I must always live an outcast. I must die a criminal." My brothers and sisters, can it be possible that we do not believe that the love of God is powerful enough to save men? Can it be possible that you and I do Christ is able to lift the vilest of sinners out of their sins if they will only reach up for that saving hand? Can we not have at heart as much faith in Christ's power to save a repentant white man as Robert Moffat had in Christ's power to save a repentant black man? Would that we might all did the chance ever come to me to even in our dealings with the prodigal son up things with the landlady." be like that great African missionary when he wrote upon the white leaf of asked. any more advantages than those peo- dale church of Cincinnati, of which the a young girl's album these suggestive

My album is in savage breasts, Where passion reigns and darkness rests
Without one ray of light;
To write the name of Jesus there,

To point to worlds, both bright and fair, And see the pagans bow in prayer
Is all my soul's delight.

The elder brother does not realize

fully that his Divine Father is show-

ing more magnanimity in bearing with

his respectable meanness than in wel-

coming back the repentent prodigal the Iron Chancellor who be thought bor's rags. So all through the church boy. I feel sorry for the wife who is married to a drunkard or to a gambler or to a dissolute clubman. That must be a crushing cross for a mother to carry for the sake of her children-to feel associate with a man from whom the law courts of the land would give her a divorce if she only presented her evidence. But, though this may be true, wasted unless be is able to overreach ing and have no recourse to justice. But there is no need of my going on class. You have a representation of Elder brothers, you have no ground his old fath r is weeping at home, with brother. He is to be seen everywhere. for pride if the restraint that has kept | his eyes a fountain of tears; but, though | He is to be seen inside the church as

The Father's Forgiveness.

entence in the parable. This was my answer: "It is not to be found in the good father's dealings with the younger, but with the elder, son. When the servant came in and told the good fanot lose his patience. He did not send son's neck, as he answered in a plead-If that elder brother had been the ing, yearning voice, Son, thou art ever But, after all, the most impressive

child at the time was living in a disso-When the reformed drunkard comes lute house. When the missionary enhome, they cry out: "What is the good tered the room, he found a sinful sisof letting that unprincipled loafer into ter holding in her arms the head of the house? He is just like other drunk- the dying girl, and she was saying: rheumatism?"

come into the marriage banquet of the Mr. Moody tells the story of a solhour of death. wish I could help you die in peace, but Christ alone can help you do that." Then Mr. Moody read to him from his Bible passage after passage until be came to one of the sweetest verses of all, "As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whosoever believeth on him should not perish, but have everlasting life." The dying man at that point cried: "Stop! Is that there? Oh. I did not know that was in the letter "C." the Bible. Please read those few words again." Then the dying man just pillowed his head upon that promise and | mistress. went to sleep in the arms of Christ to wake amid the hosannas of heaven. Elder brothers and elder sisters, will you look to that cross today which I | there she stopped. lift up? Will you hear the gospel invitation which is given to you to come in. Betsy?" to your Father's house? Will you here and now sit down by Christ and by the It Might Have Been.

"I have lived in boarding houses all my life," said the man with the grizzly gray heir, "but not until last summer "And how did you do it then?" was

"Well, when the price of beef began to go up she fed us on codfish. We had had it for breakfast, dinner and supper about 150 times, and protests had been unavailing when an idea oc-

curred to me." "A bright idea, of course." "Yes; rather bright. I got up a corner in codfish, coppered the whole supply of the United States and raised the price to 60 cents a pound. Since then I have been kept busy eating rib roasts and porterhouse steak as tender as

spring chicken."

Winning a Meal. An English paper tells how a young man who had been suffering from want of food employed an ingenious plan to For some time he stationed himself in a city square and shared his bread with the sparrows. It was not long before the birds got to know him and surrounded him by hundreds when tall lightning rod with a particularly he made his appearance. One of the most observant residents watched him closely and observed that every now and then one of the sparrows was transferred to his pockets. He lodged to get work and that not wishing to beg he had got his food by catching sparrows and cooking them.

Trades For Ministers. A prominent Philadelphia clergyman strongly urges all young men who intend to enter the ministry to learn some trade either before or after their ordination. He has examined the statistics of the various Protestant denominations and has been appalled by the number of ministers who are without a charge. He thinks a trade would be a good thing to fall back on in such cases, besides standing the preacher in

MAN'S LITTLE TOE.

Scientists Declare That It Is Doomed The other day a person asked me what I considered the most beautiful to an Early End.

Eminent scientists assert that the small toe of the human foot will be crowded out of existence by the end of the present century. Such is the view of chiropodists generally and of physiclans who have given the matter more than passing consideration, says the Philadelphia Press.

Just as, according to Darwin, the tail was crowded out of the human bony skeleton many ages back because it had no useful functions to perform, just as the vermiform appendix, the only apparent function of which is to necessi tate dangerous and expensive operations, will eventually find no place in human anatomy, so, according to present indications, the little toe must ultimately disappear altogether.

Whether or not the big toe is all that

is needed in walking and running is a factorily answered, but the fact remains that athletic instructors and coaches have universally striven to develop the big toe at the expense of the others in the training of fast runners and football players, and to that end the shoes have been made so narrow that any possibility of using the little toe has been precluded.

Between the modern method of walking and the wearing of tight fitting shoes the little toe is doomed to an ear-

Her Blessing.

There is always a possibility that the person whom we regard as a proper object for sympathy may look upon himself in another light. This interesting and instructive surprise often awaits the well meaning bearer of con-

When Mrs. Hastings learned that her old friend, Mrs. Warren, had become "stun deef," she went with a long face to see her.

"It must be an awful cross, Laviny," she wrote on the slate which Mrs. Warren presented to her as soon as she was "'Tain't elther!" snapped the afflict-

ed one, who, though deaf, was by no means dumb. "Folks that have got anything to say can write it on that slate, and Henry Warren, that's had to put a curb on his tongue for upward o' thirty years on account of the high temper he took from his mother's folks, is now able to say anything he likes and no feelings hurt. I count my deafness a real blessing. How's your

Scarce Eggs.

The eggs of some common birds of the present day have never been found. never been seen. An English zoologist kept a man going up and down the coast of Labrador for weeks purposely to get a robin snipe's egg, but it was in vain. The bird is known by thousands of people, but it breeds so far north and so remote from any civilization o its nest ere the young are hatched and have taken to wing. The frigate bird that is so commonly strange, but the eggs of so well known a bird as the sandpiper have never been found and are almost priceless.

The Wrong Suggestion.

A good planter's wife "befo' de wah" was teaching a jet black house girl, just fourteen and fresh from the plantation, the letters of the alphabet. Betsy had learned the first two, says

"Don't you see with your eyes? Can't you remember the word see?" said her

"Yassum," answered Betsy. But she could not. Five minutes later Betsy began again bravely, "A-B"- and

"What do you do with your eyes, "I sleeps wif 'em, mis'."

The Redwoods.

A remarkable peculiarity of the redwood (Sequoia sempervirens) is its manner of increase, which is from dormant buds at the base of the stump as well as from the seed. When a tree was blown down or fell, as its period of existence was reached, several shoots pushed upward from the circumference of the stump and, of course, in a circle. These in time became fully grown, six, ten or a dozen feet in diameter. In aft-

each would have a circle of trees surrounding it. Flowers on the Stage.

er years, as these trees have fallen,

No actor who is imbued with the superstitions of his profession will give yellow roses to a friend, nor will he accept them himself, as he fancies the flowers are harbingers of misfortune, jealousy and loss of friendship. Some managers will allow no natural flowers whatever to be used by way of "properties" upon the stage, but that is carrying the matter further than is usually considered / ssential.

Unco afortable Position, Finnicus-I wonder why it is that hose who attain the pinnacle of suc-

cess never seem to be happy. Cynnicus-Because the pinnacle of success is like the top of a particularly sharp point, and those who succeed in perching temporarily upon it usually find that they are targets for all the world's lightning.-Town and Country.

The Bonst of an Expert. "This, ladies and gentlemen, is the celebrated trick mule, Dot," said the

clown as the animal was led into the ring. "After many years of effort I am able to say I can make him do anything he wants to." The Auctioneer. Said a conscientious auctioneer: "La-

old Tapestry himself."

Ezzy In Combination. "Dey tells me," said Uncle Eben, 'dat contentment is better dan riches.

lies and gentlemen, there is no sham

about these carpets. They are genuine

tapestry corpets. I bought them from

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